Amendments to the Claims:

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1-7. (Cancelled)

8. (Currently Amended) [[The]] A method of elaim 7 wherein for providing voice instructions to a user for operating an external defibrillator device comprised of at least one set of electrodes couplable to a patient, said method comprising the steps of:

transmitting over a wireless protocol a voice prompt instructing the user to attach the set of electrodes to the patient;

checking the impedance of the at least one pair of electrodes, and prompting the user over the wireless protocol with a voice prompt if the electrodes are not properly attached;

prompt instructing the user by explaining how to administer defibrillator therapy; and
transmitting the voice prompts to a receiver embedded in a portable
device, said portable device [[is]] being selected from the group consisting of a

headphone, wireless telephone and a PDA.

9-15. (Cancelled)

16. (Currently Amended) [[The]] A method of claim 1, for providing voice instructions to a user for operating an external defibrillator device comprised of at least one set of electrodes couplable to a patient, said method comprising the steps of:

transmitting over a wireless protocol a voice prompt instructing the user to attach the set of electrodes to the patient;

checking the impedance of the at least one pair of electrodes, and prompting the user over the wireless protocol with an audio prompt if the electrodes are not properly attached; and

transmitting over the wireless protocol at least one additional voice prompt instructing the user by explaining how to administer defibrillator therapy;

wherein the audio voice prompt instructs the user that a patient assessment is beginning.

17. (Cancelled)

18. (Currently Amended) [[The]] A electro therapy device of claim 17 wherein comprising:

a controller;

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an energy source;

at least one electrode for providing electrotherapy to a patient;

an energy delivery system operable by the controller to deliver an electrical shock from the energy source to the at least one electrode;

a voice circuit for generating audio prompts initiated by the controller;

a wireless transmitter coupled to the voice circuit for transmitting the

audio prompts over a wireless communication protocol, the wireless transmitter transmits the audio prompt over the wireless protocol to the user;

[[the]] <u>a</u> portable device <u>includes</u> <u>including</u> a headphone, the <u>portable</u> <u>device</u> having a wireless receiver embedded therein, said wireless receiver operating <u>in accordance</u> with the wireless communication protocol over which the wireless transmitter operates.

19. (Cancelled)